

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**In re application of:** Liu *et al.*

**Application No.** 09/846,758

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**Confirmation No.** 4859

**For:** SYSTEM FOR FUNCTIONAL GENE  
DISCOVERY IN PLANTS

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**Examiner:** Marjorie Moran

**Art Unit:** 1631

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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING  
A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

This responds to the Office action dated August 28, 2006. A three-month period for response was set, making a response due on or before November 28, 2006. Applicants petition for a three-month extension of time, making a response due no later than **February 28, 2007**. The Commissioner has been authorized to take the three-month extension fee via EFS. If the Commissioner concludes that additional fees are required, please charge any such necessary fees to Deposit Account 02-4550. Please amend the referenced application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 8.